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LETTER DATED 29 JUNE 1992 FROM THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I.
OF THE PERMANENT MISSION OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS
ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I am pleased to transmit herewith a letter dated 28 June 1992 from Mr. Ahmad Hussein, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Iraq, further to his letter dated 23 June 1992.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Samir K. K. AL-NIMA
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Annex

Letter dated 28 June 1992 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq addressed to the President of the Security Council

Further to my letter dated 23 June 1992, I have the honour to inform you that American and British aircraft have resumed dropping flares on fields under wheat and barley in Ninawa governorate, causing the outbreak of new fires, which have destroyed thousands of tons of grain during the current harvest season.

Below are data relating to the new incidents of fires caused by flares:

1. At 1100 hours on 22 June 1992, aircraft burned five dunums on the old Mosul-Hamdaniyah road.

2. At 1130 hours on 22 June 1992, aircraft burned 13 dunums in the village of Yalawut, Hamdaniyah district.

3. At 1220 hours on 22 June 1992, aircraft burned 30 dunums in the village of Qarah Tepeh.

4. At 1105 hours on 23 June 1992, aircraft were seen in the Muhallabiyah area (Qaryat Tarazah) dropping flares on fields, which set fire to a 20-dunum area.

5. At 1130 hours on 24 June 1992, aircraft dropped a fireball on cultivated areas in the village of Tays Kharab Kabir, setting fire to a 2-dunum cultivated area.

6. At 1720 hours on 24 June 1992, aircraft dropped flares on fields in Kafi Harami, Nimrud subdistrict, setting fire to a 30-dunum cultivated area.

The resumption of the dropping of flares by American and British aircraft in areas under wheat and barley amounts to insistence on continuing to commit internationally prohibited acts and, at the same time, bears out once again the statement made by the United States Department of Defence on 20 June 1992 to the effect that an aircraft had dropped incendiary flares on Iraqi territory as a result of negligence on the part of its pilots and that the pilots of another aircraft had believed that Iraqi radar had been tracking it.

The Government of the Republic of Iraq reaffirms that the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom bear full international responsibility for their commission of the internationally prohibited acts mentioned in my letter dated 23 June 1992 and in this letter. On this basis, the Government of the Republic of Iraq demands that the Security Council condemn these acts and call upon the two above-mentioned Governments to desist immediately from their commission of internationally

prohibited acts and provide compensation for the material damage in lives, property and equipment, including compensation for loss of profit as a result of the damage.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Ahmad HUSSEIN
Minister for Foreign Affairs
of the Republic of Iraq